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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

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15 die in riots protesting Newsweek article

By SETH SUTEL
AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK - It all started with a small item in Newsweek saying that a military probe had confirmed allegations of abuse by interrogators at Guantanamo Bay — including an incident where a copy of the Quran, Islam's sacred text, was flushed down a toilet.

The story, which appeared in Newsweek's May 9 issue, touched off a storm of protest throughout the Muslim world, eventually leaving some 15 people dead in Afghanistan and scores more injured.

But the tumult may have been unwarranted. On Monday, Newsweek took the story back.

"Based on what we know now, we are retracting our original story that an internal military investigation had uncovered Quran abuse at Guantanamo Bay," Newsweek editor Mark Whitaker said.

The day before, Newsweek had issued an apology, saying that a source the magazine had used was not sure he had seen the evidence in the report Newsweek had cited.

Before Monday's retraction, top administration officials including Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld harshly criticized the magazine's handling of the story.

Later in the day, White House press secretary Scott McClellan called Newsweek's retraction "a good first step" but said it could not repair all the damage that had been done.

"The report had real consequences," McClellan said. "People have lost their lives. Our image abroad has been damaged. There are some who are opposed to the United States and what we stand for who have sought to exploit this allegation."

McClellan said the Pentagon had looked into the allegations initially and found nothing to substantiate them. "They continue to look into it," he said.

Earlier in the day, top Bush administration officials came down hard on Newsweek. Rice, traveling back home from Iraq, said: "It's appalling that this story got out there."

Rumsfeld, speaking on Capitol Hill, said: "People need to be very careful about what they say, just as they need to be careful about what they do."

In his note to readers, Whitaker said that while other news organizations had aired charges of Quran abuse based on the testimony of detainees, the magazine decided to publish a short item after hearing from an unnamed U.S. official that a government probe had found evidence corroborating the charges.

But on Friday, a top Pentagon spokesman told the magazine that a review of the military's investigation concluded "it was never meant to look into charges of Quran desecration."

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NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT



STEPHEN LARRICK/ THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Bill Bosler, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, explains how the water, once at the plant, makes its way through the new system before it gets sent to the two water towers.

Drinking water now drinkable

By DAVID THILL
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Just off 18th street, down McKinney avenue, the road gradually changes. Concrete gives way to gravel and the trees begin to reach farther out and weave together overhead. Making one's way down the small, bumpy road, residential neighborhoods are eventually left behind, and all at once, the trees disappear on either side and a new, blue building looms ahead made of all steel and glass. A building that, until recently, had only been a plan sitting on a desk.

Charleston's new water treatment plant stands out, a stark contrast to the elder one that sits behind, considerably smaller and, now, only a memory.

Beginning on April 28, citizens may have noticed a change in

their water. The odor is gone and the foul taste, unapparent.

"The town's been turned over now," said Bill Bosler plant superintendent, as he looked out over the new machinery housed within the four-story plant. "The water we're getting now has no odor and no taste to it. That's what water should be."

Prior to construction of the new water treatment plant, citizens had complained about the taste and smell of the water. Those problems have been solved by the new and updated technology now in operation at the plant, Bosler said.

The biggest change to the plant is the fact that it is entirely hydraulically driven.

"The water does all the work," he said.

The old plant utilized clarifiers, which used electric running

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During the three day boil order students and faculty were unable to drink any water on campus without first boiling the water.

Boil order evaporates

Construction on the Doudna Fine Arts Center puts Eastern under a boil order for three days

CHRIS LUTHER
CITY EDITOR

The current construction on the Doudna Fine Arts Center caused a boil order to be placed on certain parts of campus during May 9 and May 12.

According to the Facilities Planning and Management website, the boil order applied to Buzzard, Tarble Arts, Booth Library, the Triad, Ford Hall, McKinney Hall and Weller Hall.

On May 12, the boil order lasted for six and a half hours in the resi-

dence halls and, according to Mark Shaklee from the student housing office, no one from the residence halls were affected by the contaminated water.

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STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY Tuition hiked for fourth straight year

(AP) NORMAL, Ill. — Illinois State University trustees bumped tuition 12.5 percent for new students next fall, the fourth straight year of double-digit increases that school officials say are a result of state funding cuts.

New in-state students with a typical 15-hour class load will pay \$5,400 for tuition in 2005-06, up from \$4,800 this year. For out-of-state students, tuition will rise from \$10,020 to \$11,280. The rates are locked in for students who enroll for four consecutive years, under a state law that guarantees tuition at public universities.

ISU officials say the increases are needed because state aid for the 20,000-student university has shrunk by nearly \$20 million since 2002.

Next fall's increases range from 7.9 percent at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale to 14 percent at the University of Illinois' Springfield campus.

Northern and Eastern Illinois are the only state universities that have yet to set fall tuition rates.

AGRICULTURAL NEWS

Farmers plant despite abundance of rain

(AP) ILLINOIS farmers made good progress last week planting this year's soybean crop, despite some cool and wet weather late in the week, the Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service said Monday.

Seventy percent of the soybean crop had been planted as of Sunday, up from 39 percent just a week ago, according to the service's weekly crop progress report. Planting was well ahead of last year, when 54 percent of the soybeans had been planted by the middle of May, and the five-year average of 45 percent.

As much as 3 inches of rain fell in some parts of Illinois last week, but topsoil moisture supplies are becoming a concern in some areas, the statistics service said.

BUSINESS

Fast food in O'Hare

(AP) CHICAGO — A fast-food company said

Monday it plans to turn over its contract to operate three restaurants at O'Hare International Airport to another vendor, two months after city officials alleged its minority business certification was a front for a firm run by a top adviser to Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

Crucial Inc. has been certified as minority-owned with the city since 1998 and holds a 10-year concession agreement expiring in May 2009 to operate Panda Express restaurants at O'Hare. The company lists Jabir Herbert Muhammad, who is black, as the firm's president in documents submitted to the city.

RUB-A-DUB-DUB



STEPHEN LARRICK/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A construction worker pressure washes windows on Blair Hall Monday. Blair Hall is still undergoing reconstruction after fire nearly destroyed it last May.

WTF?

Kid carries crack

CHICAGO HEIGHTS, Ill. (AP) — Chicago Heights police say they are hunting for a drug dealer from nearby Ford Heights as the probable source of the crack cocaine brought to school by a first-grader nearly two months ago.

Officers said Sunday the dealer has disappeared and apparently knows he is being sought.

"The kid was just riding his bike down the street, and one of the dope dealers said he had to go somewhere, stopped the kid, put the dope in his backpack," said Chicago Heights Police Lt. Jeff Bohlen.

Bohlen said the dealer told the boy he would be right back, but when he didn't return, the boy went home, and apparently forgot about the package in his backpack when he went to school the next morning.

Authorities at the Lincoln School say the boy later found the 40 small bags of crack cocaine in the bag and allegedly handed out some of the drug to his classmates, saying it was candy.

"He was a darling little child; he had no idea of what he had," said Chicago Heights District 170 Supt. Dollie Helsel.

"He lives in a household where apparently there's drug dealing, and when he sees these little bags of rock cocaine around the house, they're telling him it's candy," said Chicago Heights Deputy Police Chief Michael Camilli said.

Camilli called the situation "insane," and said, "I've been here 29 years. I've never seen anything like it."

Camilli said no one was harmed in the incident and police believe they retrieved all of the cocaine.

The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services later removed the boy from the home he had been living in with his aunt because of alleged drug dealing there. He was placed with another relative and had not returned to school as of last week. Authorities said the boy's mother is homeless.

PEOPLE

Caulkin backs Jack-o

(AP) SANTA MARIA, Calif. — In the grand theater that is the Michael Jackson courtroom, a celebrity cast is lining up in defense of the pop singer, testing whether star power can help persuade jurors.

Actor Macaulay Culkin of "Home Alone" fame was first among the famous witnesses, followed a few days later by celebrity lawyer Mark Geragos. Elizabeth Taylor is on the list of possible witnesses along with Jay Leno, Chris Tucker and many others.

But there is no greater star in this tableau than Jackson himself.

An intensely personal, three-hour video interview of the singer shown to jurors has been the showstopper so far in his child molestation trial and may have supplanted the need for him to take the witness stand.

On a big screen, jurors watched Jackson in scenes left out of "Living With Michael Jackson," the Martin Bashir documentary that aired on ABC in which Jackson and the alleged victim appeared holding hands and the pop star acknowledged having innocent, nonsexual sleepovers with children.

In what can only be described as a stroke of luck, Jackson decided to have his own videographer record a backup of the interview. While Bashir's edited version brought a firestorm of bad publicity, the outtakes show Jackson as a man hurt by criticism of his lifestyle.

In the footage, Jackson occasionally powdered his famous nose or was tended to by a makeup artist. But mostly he just sat and talked. And talked.

ONLINE POLL

With the release of "Star Wars: Episode III" only two days away, what would you like to see in the final installment of the series?

- A) Bad-boy Anakin Skywalker finally whipping some Jedi you-know-what.
- B) I wanna see Yoda and the Emperor throw down!
- C) Senator Amidala in the skimpiest outfit possible.
- D) Absolutely, positively anything but Jar Jar Binks.
- E) George Lucas on-screen apologizing for the previous two movies!

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Days until the end of the first summer intersession term.

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- 2. any long, pompous speech or writing of a tedious oratory or diatribe nature.

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LOU HENCKEN
EASTERN PRESIDENT

Hencken favors child care proposal, but wants to see the money

BY CINDY TANNEY
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

A six-page report proposing the establishment of campus child care is under review by Eastern President Lou Hencken.

"The idea is an excellent one," said Hencken, "With that said, one major obstacle is 'where will we get the money to pay for it?'"

The proposal calls for the re-commissioning of an ad hoc child care committee to create "explicit, detailed plans for facilities or programs or both that would significantly improve the quality and availability of day care for Eastern faculty, staff and students."

The Child Care Search Subcommittee (CCSS), which authored the proposal, was appointed by the Faculty Senate in Fall 2004 to assess the need for child care for Eastern students, staff and faculty who are parents.

CCSS also recommended investigating partnerships with local day care centers.

During their April 5 and 6 meetings, the Faculty Senate and Student Senate listened to the testimonies of three members of the Eastern Student Parents Association (ESPA).

Aliyah Levi, a history major and junior at Eastern said her grades suffered after being absent several times from class to care for her children. She also said that she had been told, prior to her enrollment, that a day care center was located on Eastern's campus.

"I had to reschedule my classes in my first semester," said Levi, secretary for ESPA. "If I had adequate daycare, none of this would have happened."

ESPA, which was formed last fall, is a recognized student organization with the mission of providing moral support and advice for student parents. The proposal calls for establishing immediate and permanent funding for the

group.

"We're expected to blend in and just assimilate to Eastern's traditional student standards," said Levi. "But we're non-traditional and we have specific needs."

The proposal refers to a previous child care committee's plan to construct a day care facility to accommodate about 150 children south of Campus Pond by Fall 1997.

Lack of money was a roadblock that we kept running into, said Hencken who acted as Vice President of Academic Affairs during that time.

"The idea was great, but we just couldn't find a way to fund it," he added.

In late April, about 145 individuals including Eastern staff, students and faculty completed an online questionnaire administered by CCSS regarding individual child care needs.

"We wanted to determine whether there would be any likely support for EIU-sponsored daycare," states the subcommittee in their proposal.

CCSS members agreed that the results would not be representative of Eastern's population.

The sole existing institutional day care center in Coles County at Lake Land College operates at a continuing subsidy in the 50 percent range. The child care center planned in 1996 would have required similar support, according to the proposal.

If a day care center or program is established at Eastern, unique regulations and requirements will need to be met, said John Pommier, Faculty Senate member and CCSS chair.

Hencken said he plans to read the proposal in greater detail and will advise the Faculty Senate to form a new committee to find ways campus child care could be funded.



SARAH WHITNEY/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Fish could suffer hazardous results, according to Dr. Cathy Hiser from Animal Medical Center, should water under a boil order be added to their aquarium.

Boil order affects Pets' water

BY SARAH WHITNEY
CAMPUS EDITOR

In light of Eastern's boil order issued on May 9 and then on May 12, students should be aware that the order includes their pets' water as well.

The Animal Medical Center and Petropics said that during a boil order it is just as important for owners to boil their pets' water as well as their own.

Kristin Giglietti, a manager at Petropics, 626 W. Lincoln, said, "Any pathogens in the water that could make people sick, could also be infective to animals."

During a boil order small mammals like hamsters, dogs, cats and rabbits would be affected the same way as people, said Giglietti, who graduated from Eastern with a B.S. in Biology.

Dr. Cathy Hiser from the Animal Medical Center, 1404 Division, echoed Giglietti's cautions. She said, "You should treat them like you would yourself. The animals can get

infections also."

Both Hiser and Giglietti listed vomiting and diarrhea as symptoms from being infected by pathogens in contaminated water for animals.

For fish owners, the water they use to fill their tank can have drastic results on their aquatic pets.

Dr. Hiser said that if water were added to an aquarium during a boil order, she thinks that the fish "could potentially be affected."

"Even when the water's good, it's not very good," commented Giglietti.

Because of this, she encouraged fish owners to not even use Charleston water, even if there isn't a boil order. "Charleston water—in general—is pretty hard on fish, so we recommend purchasing reverse osmosis water or bottled water," Giglietti said.

With the opening of the new water treatment facility, Giglietti hopes that Charleston's water quality will improve for the good of the residents and their pets.

Blagojevich refuses to say if he's been subpoenaed

BY MAURA KELLY LANNAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO—Gov. Rod Blagojevich refused to say Monday if he had been subpoenaed by a grand jury looking into allegations that his chief fundraiser traded jobs for campaign contributions, but a source close to the investigation confirmed subpoenas had been sent to the governor's office, his major fund-raisers, his political committees and some agency heads.

The subpoenas were sent the week of May 2 and seek records related to hiring, contracts and appointments, the source told The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity.

According to the source, the list of people they were sent to include:

Major fund-raisers, including the governor's chief fundraiser Christopher Kelly and adviser Antoine "Tony" Rezko.

Blagojevich's gubernatorial and past congressional political committees.

A political committee of Chicago Alderman Richard Mell, Blagojevich's father-in-law who sparked the investigation when he said in January that Kelly was trading jobs for contributions, a statement Mell later retracted.

Members of Blagojevich's administration who are responsible for hiring and contracts, including chief of staff Lon Munk, and the head of the Department of Central Management Services.

Another source close to the governor's office also confirmed that the office received a subpoena for documents such as e-mail and other correspondence related to hiring, but said Blagojevich had not been asked to testify before a grand jury.

Blagojevich, speaking Monday at a news conference on education in Chicago, said it would be illegal to discuss whether he received a subpoena.

"As a former prosecutor, it's very clear that when there's a grand jury you don't talk about any specifics of it, that it is a violation of the law," Blagojevich said. "We're going to cooperate and we look forward to full vindication and, to quote Teddy Roosevelt, 'We're as clean as a hound's tooth,' when it comes to those kinds of things."

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COLUMN

Who can have senioritis at a time like graduation?



HEATHER HALL

SENIOR, ENGLISH MAJOR

Heather Hall is Opinion Page Editor and columnist for The Daily Eastern News.

Another academic year has ended, and it is now summer time. Trees have sprouted their leaves, birds are flying in pairs, and geese are back around their ponds. It's time for swimming, fishing, and hanging out with friends.

Well, it is for many students, except summer semester ones like me.

I am now officially at senior status. I only need 23 hours to graduate, with 19 hours as upper division. However, because my rent is \$520 a month for a two-bedroom apartment that doesn't even have room for a bed in the second bedroom, I live with just my cat and pay the entire rent myself.

Well, my parents send me a check to pay the rent, but that's expensive for them. I pay for everything else myself.

Since this is rather expensive for a place that holds just my cat and me, and the occasional cockroach, I'm attempting to graduate earlier. I will be a December 2005 graduate. The problem becomes that I am now a full time student in the summer semester.

I have two classes during intercession and two classes during the new six-week session, which gives for a full schedule.

But that's not even ... well, it might be about half of it.

I also work at the Union Bookstore, and I obviously work for the Daily Eastern News. This means I work at the bookstore in the morning for two hours before heading to two classes that are both scheduled to last at least two hours each, and on production nights for the DEN, I head straight over after my last class to do design and editing. This makes for a very full schedule.

"No one ever told me that you get screwed into early morning sections of classes because there's only one section offered."

Whoever said being a senior was easier?

I remember being a freshman at the University of Missouri-Columbia back in 2001, thinking that when I was a senior, I'd get to register earlier than everyone else, so I'd get all the good classes and all the good times.

No one ever told me that when you're about to graduate, you get screwed into early morning sections of classes because there's only one class offered during the semester that

allows you to fulfill a graduation requirement, and of course it's going to be at 9 a.m.

Who wants to read Paradise Lost at 9 a.m. on a Monday? I know I certainly am not looking forward to it.

The only good thing is that you can create a schedule that better fits your day, so you can schedule working a job around it easier. You can make some cash and get some experience.

But when you want to put all your classes on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, or all on Tuesdays and Thursdays, of course there's a class you need to graduate — just one — that will fall on the other set of days.

This causes all kinds of problems with consistency of a work schedule, as well.

But this isn't even the last of it. Once you're a senior, you have to worry about what's going to happen after graduation. Where am I going to apply to work? Where do I want to work? Hell, what do I want to even do?

Once you get a hold of that idea, then you have to wonder about locations. How far is too far? Should I stay local near my family, or do I feel comfortable traveling a considerable distance away and dealing with everything on my own?

And, of course: what about the boyfriend (or for some, the girlfriend)? Should I stay somewhere that they would be willing to work, too? Would they be willing to move with me if I get a job someplace that's not really all that close to where we are now? What would happen if one of us wants to move, and the other won't, or can't? Then when?

Being a senior certainly has its perks, but there are certainly downsides to it, as well. Real life starts to encroach on you, and you realize you're not going to be going to classes anymore. A real job awaits.

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY STEPHEN LARRICK



EDITORIAL

Mertz appeal should not base on racism

On May 10, defense attorney Steven Clark attempted to argue for a new sentencing hearing for Anthony Mertz. Mertz, who was sentenced to death row on February 26, 2003, was convicted in the murder of Eastern student Shannon McNamara in 2001.

Clark did not argue Mertz's guilt, but instead he is arguing possible motives behind the jury that sentenced him to death row.

Instead he made the argument that the jury may have been swayed when items in Mertz's personal library, such as books about Adolf Hitler and the Nazis, were made known.

He stated that jurors may have spared Mertz's life, but their decision may have been altered under the pretense of his possibly racist views.

Forget the argument of whether or not to even sentence Mertz to death for a moment. The argument that his possible racism may have swayed the decision of those charged with his conviction is a shaky one at best.

Mertz's possible racism should not have any bearing on whether or not he should be put to death.

Whether he is a racist or not, the only thing that should be taken into account in such an argument should be the nature of the crime and the motivation behind it.

Making the claim that Mertz was sentenced to death row based solely on his potential racism is irresponsible.

At issue

The Mertz defense is attempting to contest the death penalty ruling based on Mertz's racial attitudes.

Our stance

The defense should not be basing the fight against the death penalty on Mertz's racism but on the nature and motivation of the crime.

The fact of the matter is that Anthony Mertz entered McNamara's home wearing gloves and used a carpet knife to cut through her window screen. These factors point towards premeditation, and the fact that McNamara's body was found with a rag shoved down her throat only further illustrates the violent nature of the crime.

Furthermore, Mertz is the leading suspect, although he has never been officially charged, in the murder of Amy Warner in June of 1999.

Mertz has also had a history of domestic

violence.

Again, when considering whether to sentence someone to death, the only factors that should be taken into account are the nature and motives behind the crime. Mertz's actions were premeditated and the crime was unusually gruesome.

If he should be granted another sentencing hearing, it should not be based on whether Mertz thinks he is better than someone based on his skin pigmentation. It should be based on the fact that his potentially racist views were not a major contributing factor to his actions.

The editorial is the majority opinion of The Daily Eastern News editorial board.

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Deris Webb of Textbook Rental assists a student in checking out a book

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More books made, fewer are sold

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - The publishing industry continues to put out more books than the public is prepared to buy, according to a report issued Monday by the Book Industry Study Group.

The number of books sold dropped by nearly 44 million between 2003 and 2004, even as the annual number of books published approaches 175,000.

"People are reading less, so what you're seeing is the same phenomenon that has hit magazines and newspapers, a massive shift toward home video, DVD, internet and cable," said Albert N. Greco, an industry consultant and a professor of business at the graduate school of Fordham University.

The Book Industry Study Group, a nonprofit research organization, reported estimated sales of 2.295 billion books in 2004, compared to an estimated 2.339 billion the previous year. Higher prices enabled net revenues to increase 2.8 percent, to \$28.6 billion, but also drove many readers, especially students, to buy used books, Greco said.

The BISG anticipates a better year in 2005, thanks to the new Harry Potter book, "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," and to a surge in high school and

elementary textbook sales, with many states due to order new editions.

"We see that as a temporary spike," Greco said.

After 2005, the BISG expects a flat market for the following four years. Religious titles are an exception, with both dollar

books, it's what we call 'other' religious books," says Greco, citing such multimillion sellers as Rick Warren's "The Purpose Driven Life" and the "Left Behind" novels of Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins.

An especially troubled area, Greco says, is college textbooks. While no hard statistics

have been compiled, many believe that students are increasingly turned off by prices for new books and instead buying used editions. The BISG anticipates a steady drop in sales for new works, from 68 million in 2004 to 64.4 million in 2009.

"It's an unbelievably sophisticated business," Greco said of the used textbook market. "You get people visiting campuses and sending students e-mails, encouraging them to sell their books once they're done with them. You have instructors selling their exam copies of textbooks so that students have used editions within a very short time after a new book comes out."

"Another problem is online piracy from abroad, kids downloading texts from Web sites in Asia and other places. I had one student come in and show me the book he was using for my class. It looked exactly like the textbook I assigned, except the illustrations were in black and white."

"People are reading less, so what you're seeing is the same phenomenon that has hit magazines and newspapers, a massive shift toward home video, DVD, internet and cable."

-ALBERT N. GRECO,
AN INDUSTRY CONSULTANT AND A PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS AT THE
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

sales and the number of actual books sold expected to average more than 6 percent annual growth into 2009.

"The key isn't so much Bibles and prayer

Officials fight to keep Arsenal jobs

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAVENPORT, Iowa - Officials in the Quad Cities started work Saturday on a battle plan to keep hundreds of Rock Island Arsenal jobs from being scattered across the country.

The arsenal, one of the largest government owned weapons manufacturing arsenals in the world, is slated to lose more than 1,200 civilian jobs under a recommendation Friday by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld.

The facility, located on a 950-acre island on the Mississippi River, would downsize about 20 percent of its work force as part of a nationwide realignment to save money and make the military more effective in the war on terrorism, officials said.

The biggest loss is the Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, or TACOM, which employs 1,119. Local officials said they would examine the decision to move TACOM-Rock Island to Columbus, Ohio, and Warren, Mich.

"Warren doesn't have the facilities to take 800 to 900 people," said Jim Morgan, the program director for the Rock Island Arsenal Development Group and a former top TACOM executive.

He said the most likely line of attack will be to suggest that jobs in Michigan move to Rock Island, where there's space, not the other way around.

Reversing a Pentagon recommendation is difficult. On average, 85 percent of the Defense Department's recommendations hold up, and seven of nine commissioners must support a revision.

Morgan said the most perplexing proposal is the plan to move the Civilian Human Resource Agency, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service and the Installation Management Agency regional office off the island.

"Those agencies have all come to the island in the last 10 years and have seen increased work load. I can't understand it," he said.

The loss of jobs at the arsenal is estimated at 1,265 jobs, but arsenal officials said that total is based on 2003 payrolls and the job losses could be higher based on increased hiring in the last 18 months.

The arsenal is home to more than 60 tenants and employs about 6,400 people, making the island the second biggest employer in the Quad Cities region.

The base also supports another 12,500 jobs in the region and injects an estimated \$1.1 billion annually into the local economy, which spreads across Davenport and Bettendorf on the Iowa side of the river and Moline and Rock Island in Illinois.

The potential movement of so many jobs off the island also could have a spinoff effect on the agency that was largely spared by Friday's actions - the Joint Manufacturing and Technology Center, which employs about 1,000 people.

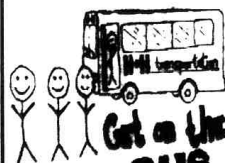
Because of Army rules, the overhead costs of maintaining the island and its buildings have to be taken into account when the manufacturing center figures its production rates. The loss of so many rent-paying tenants would push its rates upward.

"There will be an impact on the factory rates, we just don't know what it will be," said Gale Smith, an Arsenal spokeswoman.

The base closing commission has until Sept. 8 to make a recommendation to President Bush, who then will reject it or forward it to Congress. The president and Congress must accept or reject the whole list and can make no amendments.

A decision is expected toward the end of the year.

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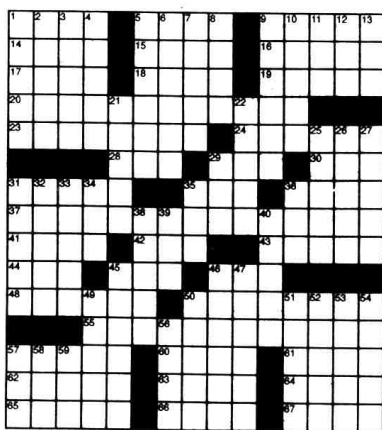
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- 18 String tie
- 19 Houston baseballer
- 20 Gentle/not gentle
- 23 Stops from yo-yoing
- 24 Conqueror of 1066 England
- 28 The "I" of T.G.I.F.
- 29 Old what's—name
- 30 Relative of beer
- 31 1960's radical Hoffman

DOWN

- 35 Interval
- 36 Assert
- 37 Former pupil/present pupil
- 41 Stitch's cartoon pal
- 42 Closemouthed
- 43 Twinges
- 44 Serious drug cases, for short
- 45 "Man's best friend"
- 46 Fortune 500 listings: Abbr.
- 48 Firearm, e.g.
- 50 Loving touches
- 55 Furious/not furious
- 57 Fire starter
- 60 Inch or teaspoon
- 61 Measure (out)
- 62 Having a close resemblance
- 63 Longtime Yugoslav leader

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- 1 Grins widely
- 2 Let in
- 3 Nimble
- 4 Carter, who played Wonder Woman
- 5 Cottontail
- 6 Loves to pieces
- 7 Casa parts
- 8 Group insurance grps.
- 9 Taste sensation
- 10 Light in a light show
- 11 Not at home
- 12 Say 2 + 2 = 5, say
- 13 Paulo, Brazil
- 21 Parisian goodbye
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Larry Shobe, grounds gardener for Eastern, waters flowers that have just been planted in the flower bed behind Old Main on Monday afternoon.

PLANT:

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motors to remove sedimentation. The new plant now uses ClariCone technology, powered by the water already coming in to the plant, said Alan Alford, one of the members of the team that keeps the plant running year-round.

The ClariCone technology is more efficient and produces better quality water as well as makes the process run much more smoothly, Bosler said.

In fact, the ClariCone now gets out 90 percent of sedimentation, he said. They use lime, catalytic polymer and alum, which act as a magnet, weighing down dirt and filtering it out from water, Bosler said.

"Before, (the plant) was constantly fighting to meet EPA regulations," said Curt Buescher, director of public works. "Now, we

are ten times less than regulations in some places."

Technology in the new plant will "have no problem meeting" the EPA's Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) laws. The NTU laws, which measure the amount of sediment in the water, require water to be under .344 NTUs, 95 percent of the time, Bosler said.

With the old plant officials struggled to get water below the required .344. But, with the new technology, water is nearing .09 after the process, Bosler said.

"We've never had a violation, but now it is so far below that it makes everything much nicer," he said.

Another improvement is that the plant can now run at variable speeds, as need dictates.

"One of the hardest things on the plant is constantly starting and stopping," he said.

The project is not entirely complete, however. City officials are currently putting together a report to submit to the EPA in

order to gain a permit allowing the plant to use O-Zone technology that will further improve the taste, smell and clarity of the water, Buescher said.

The EPA required the city to setup a mini-plant and complete a one-year pilot study using the O-Zone technology, Bosler said.

In effect, the O-Zone technology splits O2 atoms into O3 atoms. When that happens, the O3 atom instantly tries to revert back to its original O2 form. During the process, the O3 atom becomes destructive and attacks everything in its path, Bosler said.

Then, the granular activated filter, which is currently in use at the plant, becomes biologically active, eating up everything that the O-Zone destroys, he said.

"Hopefully, O-Zone will be up and running my September," Bosler said.

BOIL:

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"Facilities Planning and Management gave everyone adequate notice before the boil order was placed," Shalee said. "There were very few students living in the dorms at that time."

Warnings were posted for the few students living in the dorms.

Buzzard and Tarble Arts were placed on the boil order May 9 at 6:30 a.m. The order lasted at these two buildings until 10 a.m. As a precaution, warnings were placed on these buildings and throughout campus.

Carol Roberts, from Health Services, said there were no reported cases of gastrointestinal illnesses within the last week. "No one came in with any symptoms that led us to believe they were exposed to contaminated water," said Roberts.

According to the Illinois Department of Health, boil orders are put into effect because bacteria enter the water facility. Chlorine is used to disinfect the water. Another common cause for a boil order is local construction.

"I doubt that the water at Eastern was actually contaminated," continued Larson. "The boil order was probably a precautionary measure while the water pressure was off. Once the pressure was back on, the water flushed the system out."

According to the Illinois Department of Health, E. coli causes gastrointestinal illnesses such as diarrhea and vomiting.

The order was necessary so the construction of Doudna can continue on schedule. This worked well because it's the week after graduation and the week before intercession.

RIOT:

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The spokesman also said the Pentagon had looked into other charges by detainees that the Quran had been desecrated and found them to be "not credible."

Whitaker added that the magazine's original source later said he could not be sure he read about the alleged Quran incident in the report Newsweek cited, and that it might have been in another document. Whitaker said the magazine was still investigating the charges.

Many of the 520 inmates at Guantanamo are Muslims arrested during the U.S.-led war against the Taliban and its al-Qaida allies in

Afghanistan.

Ashraf and the provincial police chief said the scholars met in Faizabad, 310 miles northeast of the capital, Kabul, and demanded a "reaction" from U.S. authorities within three days.

Lebanon's most senior Shiite Muslim cleric on Sunday said the reported desecration of the Quran is part of an American campaign aimed at disrespecting and smearing Islam.

In a statement faxed to The Associated Press, Grand Ayatollah Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah called the alleged desecration a "brutal" form of torture and urged Muslims and international human rights organizations "to raise their voices loudly against the American behavior."

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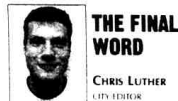
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THE FINAL WORD

CHRIS LUTHER
LIFE EDITOR

Mondays become a memory

I remember religiously watching the Dallas Cowboys when I was 12 years old. Troy Aikman led "Da Boys" to three Super Bowl championships in the 1990s. My older brother, my father and I would always watch the games together and cheer.

We bonded weekly, glued to the TV enjoying each moment, while, unaware, these were the same moments we would miss having together.

Occasionally, Da Boys played on Monday Night Football. Monday games were my favorite. I was allowed to stay up later and put my homework aside.

"Are you ready for some football?" The answer was always yes.

The recent purchase of Monday Night Football by ESPN will end a 35-year-old streak. MNF will no longer be aired on network television. Only cable subscribers will now have the privilege of viewing MNF.

The deal between the companies, who are both owned by Disney, is just another way to make money off cable subscribers. Whether you prefer to watch football, Comedy Central, the History Channel or news broadcasts, your bill for cable television will go up.

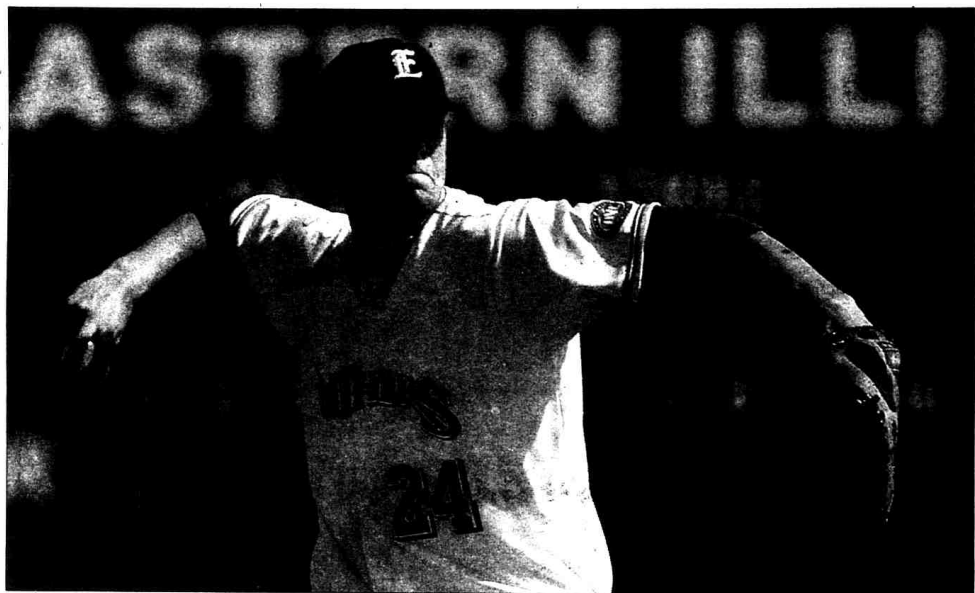
According to the Chicago Tribune, ESPN gets a two-dollar subscriber fee for every cable customer. That amount is \$1.22 higher than the second place finisher TNT. Resulting from this deal, the subscriber fee will rise so ESPN can afford the billion-dollar transaction.

ESPN purchased MNF for \$8.8 billion, according to the Washington Post. The contract will last for eight years, which costs ESPN \$1.1 billion a season. If you do the math, that equals about \$65 million per game.

Not only does the deal take MNF off network television, it will make cable more expensive. Many dedicated football fans won't be able to afford cable to continue watching MNF.

Unfortunately for all cable subscribers, our cable bill will rise in the next year. Personally, I watch fewer Monday night games as the years go by. Mondays are now dedicated to late homework, which collected dust over the weekend.

Oh well. I guess the traditional Monday Night Football game will become another past memory I sometimes find myself longing for.



STEPHEN HAAS / DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore Erik Huber tries to pick off a runner at first against Indiana State April 20 at Coaches Stadium. Huber pitched three scoreless innings, walking one and striking out two.

Panthers hope to continue momentum against Bradley

BRANDON NETLIK
STAFF WRITER

The Eastern Illinois baseball team will host Bradley University at Coaches Stadium Tuesday at 3 p.m.

The Panthers hope to build off of the momentum that they built after coming off their most successful weekend of the season, which saw them sweep a three-game series at Morehead State University by the combined score of 28-14.

The sweep helped even up the conference record at 12 wins and 12 losses and improved the overall record to 15-37. Eastern has won five of their last seven games overall.

Bradley heads into the game trying to shake off a three-game losing streak after they were swept by Northern Iowa this past weekend. Bradley sports a record of 26-18 overall and a record of 9-12 in Missouri Valley conference play.

On Saturday, the Panthers will start their final

regular season series when Tennessee Tech comes to town for three games at Coaches Stadium. Game one of the Friday doubleheader starts at 1 p.m. with game two following. Game three is Saturday at 1 p.m.

Tennessee Tech currently has a record of 5-18 in conference play and an overall record of 12-39. They have lost 10 of their last 11 games.

This weekend is also Senior Recognition Weekend for the Panthers.

Student athletes named to Iron Panther Club

Set standards help selection

STAFF REPORT

Twenty two athletes earned membership in the Iron Panther Club for 2004-2005 as determined by Nathan Moe, Strength and Conditioning Coach.

"To become a member each athlete must achieve a certain standard for their sport/position in the power clean, squat, bench press and vertical jump, and must attain this in one testing period," Moe said.

The twenty two athletes are:

LeeAnn Langsfeld (soccer), Alicia Harris (track), Brittany Brown (rugby), Eric Gerth (volleyball), Tristan Burge (football), Ben Blonn (football), Justin Smith (track), Dave Campione (football), Justin Duhai (football), Kyle Widegren (baseball), Megan Kennedy (volleyball), Michael Keeling (football), Meagan Scaggs (basketball), Robert Brooks (football), Tom Schofield (football), Jeff Stewardson (soccer), Kory Lothe (football), Austin Hogue (basketball), Dave Amdor (soccer), Ademola Adeniji (football), Aaron Grobengieser (track), Joe Hernandez (baseball).

Ramirez plays down milestone home run

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Manny Ramirez downplayed his 400th career home run. He also probably underestimated the value of the milestone baseball.

"I'm going to put it on eBay and see how much I get," Ramirez jokingly said. "Maybe \$200?"

Ramirez became the 39th player in major league history to reach 400 home runs when he hit a three-run shot off Gil Meche in the fifth inning of the Boston Red Sox's 5-4 loss to the Seattle Mariners on Sunday.

He's just the fifth player to accomplish the feat as a member of the Red Sox, joining Jimmie Fox,

Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski and Andre Dawson.

Ramirez hit a 1-1 fastball from Meche an estimated 404 feet into the seats in right-center field. It was his 10th homer of the season and second in the three-game series against Seattle.

"I knew it would happen someday," Ramirez said. "I wasn't trying to put pressure on myself. I'm just happy to accomplish it."

Ramirez is the 13th player to reach the mark before his 33rd birthday, and just the fourth since Harmon Killebrew in 1969. He's also the fifth-fastest to get to 400, doing it in his 5,695th at-bat.